Introduced by Assembly Member Swanson

February 27, 2009

An act to add Section 5007.6 to the Public Resources Code, relating to the state park system.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1345, as introduced, Swanson. State park system: beaches.

Under existing law, the Department of Parks and Recreation administers and manages the state park system. The state park system consists of specified units, including state beaches.

This bill would require the Department of Parks and Recreation to erect on a state beach, or any other unit of the state park system that encompasses a beach, signs that warn the public of dangerous, unsafe, or contaminated waters or waters that are closed to public access due to safety concerns. The signs would be written in English and other languages that meet certain criteria.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 5007.6 is added to the Public Resources
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 5007.6. (a) The department shall erect on a state beach, or any
- 4 other unit of the state park system that encompasses a beach, signs
- 5 that warn the public of dangerous, unsafe, or contaminated waters
- 6 or waters that are closed to public access due to safety concerns.

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- 1 (b) The signs shall be written in English and any language that
- 2 is predominantly spoken, or languages that the department
- 3 determines that a significant or substantial number of residents
- 4 speak, in the geographical area where the beach is located.
- 5 (c) The signs shall conform with department rules and
- 6 regulations regarding signs in the state park system.